

Reduction in Rates of Advertising!

On and after this date a Reduction of FIVE PER CENT. on the rates heretofore charged for Advertisements in the DAILY and WEEKLY COLONIST will be made on all bills paid in advance at the Office desk.

Job Printing

Will be CASH ON DELIVERY of the Work.

TO ADVERTISERS.
Transient Advertisements must be paid for in advance to insure insertion.

TO AGENTS.
Settlements of accounts will be required monthly, or the supply of papers will be discontinued. The daily and weekly issues will be furnished at the lowest cash rates and no exception will in future be made to this rule.

Geological Survey.

An interesting report from the pen of Mr. Claret, of the Assay Office, published in the last *Government Gazette*, with regard to the Cherry Creek silver vein is suggestive of what steps ought to be taken by the Government to develop the mineral resources of the colony. The present mining season is rapidly on the wane, and before the advent of the next we would press strongly on the attention of the Government the necessity of sending out early in the spring an exploring party with a good geologist and mineralogist at its head to examine the most likely regions of mineral wealth; but let a thorough, accomplished geologist be placed in command, and not a more charlatan, and, if considered necessary, a few practical miners might be associated with him, but with, for the supreme head, a "scientific geologist and mineralogist." The benefit of this course has been evinced in California, where Professor Whitney and staff have been engaged for some years past in a geological survey of that State, the first part of whose report appeared a few months ago, issued by the State Government for distribution at a mere nominal cost, in two volumes, beautifully got up and illustrated. The nature of the work done by the survey is far more extensive than anything we would either advocate or effect here, including as it does a complete collection, illustrative of the Zoology, Botany, Ethnology, &c., of that country, as well as its Geology and Mineralogy. We could, however, accomplish a mineralogical one, which for the present is the pressing want, and that without any great expenditure. We would suggest a reference to the Government School of Mines, Jermyn street, where there are numerous enthusiastic students who have a reputation to make, many of whom would gladly volunteer for this field, in which rich laurels in the cause of science are to be won. Without, however, wishing to traffic in professional enthusiasm, the small expense of a commensurate salary to such a man would be soon amply repaid by the results. The advantage of such an undertaking would be immense, not only as regards the discovery of new sources of wealth, but would tend to show where capital might be judiciously expended, and repress many bubble speculations, which, unfortunately, from their number in times gone past, have contributed not a little to damage the reputation of the colony abroad. All scientific men are now looking forward with much interest to the future of this colony, believing from the light of science that rich silver veins must be sooner or later discovered, as Humboldt, an observer who was rarely mistaken, speaking of Mexico in his book on "New Spain," states as his belief "that the silver veins of Mexico are merely the washings of rich veins that would one day be found in the North." The country is densely wooded and a difficult one to prospect, and the mining season short, but still a great deal might be done by a skilled observation; and we hope that some scheme of this kind may be matured through which prosperity may dawn on the country, rendering the administration of affairs less irksome to the Government and more satisfactory to every one.

Letter from New Archangel.
(From our Regular Correspondent.)
NEW ARCHANGEL, SITKA, }
August 12th, 1867. }

EDITOR BRITISH COLONIST:—Sitka Island is about 200 miles long and 50 or 60 in breadth. New Archangel, the capital of all Russian America, is situated at the south end of the island, on a magnificent bay nearly land-locked, and furnishes the best harbor for shipping in the new territory, it being impossible for ships to winter any further north, owing to the

fierce gales that sweep the coast during the winter months. To this port all the Russian Fur Company's vessels resort for shelter and security during that season, and here the whalers from all parts of the Arctic Seas used to come to refit, get supplies and winter until they found they could not get what they required (the Russian Fur Company often being short themselves) when they had to go elsewhere. The noble bay was never known to freeze up. Its greatest depth is 60 fathoms. There is a noble future before it. The Americans will make it the capital of the new territory, as it always has been for the Russians. Sublime scenery abounds, and snow capped mountains tower in sullen majesty hundreds of feet above the level of the sea. There is plenty of game, such as deer, bear, grouse, partridges and prairie chickens. The Indians sell cheap. I bought a fine deer for five roubles (leather, 80 cents in coin). There is also abundance of strawberries, huckleberries and salmonberries, and all kinds of fish; fish are a 'drug.' The finest salmon are given to the hogs. There are also gardens where are raised most kinds of vegetables. Firewood costs a mere trifle. Splendid salmon can be had for taking them from the wharf. A man that is fond of fish can live cheaper here than in any part of the world I have been in.

There is a good library in the Lutheran Church of English, Russian, French, German and Spanish books. The books of each language are kept separate. Mr. Leggill, the librarian, told me the Company sent 5,000 vols. from here a short time ago, back to St. Petersburg. Mr. Leggill is the Company's interpreter; he also officiates in the Lutheran Church in the absence of its regular minister. The English part of the library has some standard works; also the Edinburgh, Westminster and North British Reviews, Blackwood's Magazine and London Reviews. No charge is made by the librarian for any books a person may wish to take out. The library is open twice a week from 12 to 1 o'clock; but he tells me there are only 15 or 20 who take out books. The Russian ladies (God bless them,) I hear are well educated. In walking by their houses at an evening a person can hear the most enchanting music from their pianos, and if it be true what Congreve says in his "Mourning Bride," that

"Music hath charms to soothe the savage breast,
To soften rocks or bend a knotted oak,"

there ought not to be hard rock or knotted oak in New Archangel. It would take some other pen than mine to do justice to the ladies. All I can say is, tell your bachelor friends who think of coming this way they need not be in a hurry to "pop the question" until they first come here. Not understanding Russian is no obstacle, as proposals can be made through an interpreter.

I will call the attention of all whom it may concern that the Russian weights are not so much as the English or American. 10 lbs. Russian are only 9 lbs.; 50 lbs. in our weights is sometimes over 54 Russian lbs. Their hay and liquid measures are less, much less, than ours.

A few weeks ago a large ship with an unpronounceable name, from Hamburg, belonging to the Russian Fur Company and loaded with supplies, came into port. As soon as possession is taken of the country by the Americans I will write you again.

CARLOW.
P. S.—No game came to town until after the departure of the *Fideliter*. Fresh eggs sell for three leather roubles per doz. The Russians have several hay ranches on this island. They are storing it for the winter. New potatoes and cabbage are coming into market. Weather fine and pleasant with a little rain occasionally.

Hounding a Man to Death.

EDITOR COLONIST:—I was pleased to read in your paper of this morning an article condemnatory of the conduct of a portion of the Port Townsend people in pursuing Tripp (accused of murder) with their vengeance into a foreign country. The late Grand Jury at Port Townsend failed to find a true bill against Tripp and his brother-in-law; whereupon a number of their enemies had a special judge sworn in, a special sheriff appointed, and a special grand jury empanelled, to whom the case was entrusted. A true bill was found—the jury being composed of Tripp's political enemies—and an individual known as "Poker Jack" (said to be an Englishman) was sworn in as special constable to kidnap Tripp, who had meantime gone to Victoria. The special constable is now in Victoria; he has no requisit on from the Governor of Washington Territory, nor has he any authority to search houses; yet I am told he has done so, and that persons here have actually aided him in his search. Tripp is in Victoria, and until proper legal steps are taken for his arrest he is entitled to his liberty. Tripp's crime was protecting his own person and that of his family from injury and insult, and perhaps death. For doing this his political enemies are thirsting for his blood, though he is virtually acquitted of the charge of murder. They have driven him from his native soil and he has sought an asylum here. Shall he be denied him? or shall we tamely allow him to be kidnapped from the Colony without even the shadow of law or a requisition from Governor Moore to sanction it?

H. L. T.

COLD IN SPITZENBERGEN.—No description will furnish an idea of the rigor of the six months' winter of this part of the world. Stones crack with the noise of thunder; in a crowded hut the breath of the occupants will fall in flakes of snow; wine and spirits turn to ice, the snow burns like caustic; if iron touches the skin it brings the flesh away with it; the soles of your stockings may be burnt off your feet before you feel the slightest warmth from the fire; linen taken out of boiling water instantly stiffens to the consistency of a wooden board, and heated stones will not prevent the sheets of the bed from freezing. If these are the effects of the climate within an air-tight, fire-warmed, crowded hut, what must they be among the dark, storm-lashed mountain peaks outside?

By Electric Telegraph

SPECIAL TO THE DAILY BRITISH COLONIST

LAST NIGHT'S DESPATCHES

Europe.
LONDON, Sept. 12.—Returns of the Bank of England show that the amount of bullion has increased £300,000 since the 5th.

LONDON, Sept. 14.—The Doncaster races are ended. Wilton won the Mersey Plate, valued at 200 pounds; Hermit is the winner of 200 sovereigns.

The annual race of clipper ships with a cargo of new tea from China, was won by the *Taeiping*, which arrived to-day. 10 vessels started.

BERLIN, Sept. 14.—The King of Prussia has sent an autograph letter to the Emperor and Empress of the French, inviting them to meet him and other Sovereigns of the North German States in some city in Germany, hereafter to be named.

LONDON, Sept. 14.—A telegram from Bombay announces that first steamer of the Abyssinia expedition has left India to explore the coast and to find a suitable place for landing for the ten steamers which have sailed from England for India where they will transport troops and munitions of war to Abyssinia.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Sept. 14.—A firman from the Sublime Porte granting a general amnesty to the Greek insurgents in Canada has just been officially promulgated. The Government concluded not to have a mixed commission to enquire into the grievances of the Cretan Christians as had been proposed.

BERLIN, Sept. 14.—It is generally believed that Professor Martin Simpson, President of the last Parliament will be chosen President of the North German Parliament.

PARIS, Sept. 15.—The fortifications of Strasbourg are to be extended and strengthened.

FLORENCE, Sept. 15.—The Government threatens to commence proceeding against Garibaldi if he persists in his hostile attacks on Rome.

Eastern States.

NEW YORK, Sept. 15.—A special despatch to the *Herald* from Rio Janeiro August 8th, reports a disastrous repulse to the expedition of the allied force. The expedition was obliged to retire after advancing far into Paraguay, harassed for twenty days by the enemy. Cholera had broken out, carrying off principal officers and a large number of men.

Mexico.

GALVESTON, Sept. 12.—Matamora advises say an election is ordered for deputies to Congress, a President and Judges of the Supreme Court on the twenty-second. Congress meets on the 20th of November. The President takes his seat on the first of December, and the Chief Justice on January 1st.

Money Market.

SAN FRANCISCO Sept. 17.—Legal Tenders 69½ @ 70.

California.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 18th.—The steamship *China* arrived this morning from New York via Straits of Magellan. She is sister ship to the *Great Republic* and *Celestial Empire* in the San Francisco and China trade. She reports the return to Panama of the two Railroad Commissioners who have been in Bogota for many months in the interest of the railroad company, having completely succeeded in negotiations for renewal of the present company's charter for a period of 99 years. The general Government of Bogota receives \$1,000,000 down and an annual rental of \$250,000.

Produce Market.

Flour—Demand for good superfine; half sacks per 1,960 lbs, \$5 25 @ 50; qr sks, \$5 50 @ 55 75; extra, half sks, \$6 25 @ 50; qr sks, \$6 50 @ 65 75.
Wheat—Firm at \$2 42 @ 53, with exceptions at sales at a slight advance on the outside quotations.
Barley—Good new brewing, \$1 85 per 100 lbs.
Oats—Sales of 1500 sks in lots, fair to good, \$1 70 and \$1 80.

A PET LION.—A gentleman visiting a house in Algeria, says: "In a few minutes a door opened and a lion entered the room a man only leading him by the tuft of his mane, which, although only a foot long, made, however, a respectable appearance. He did not seem to care about our being strangers, but wondered about the room like a large dog, permitting us to take liberties with him, such as patting him, shaking his paw, making him exhibit his teeth and claws. He shows a marked predilection in favor of old acquaintances, and lying down before them, turned over on his back to be scratched. After a scratch or two he began to yawn and was fairly settling himself for a nap, when a cigar was puffed in his face, a proceeding he evidently did not approve of. Raising in a hurry, curling his lips and wrinkling his nose, he exposed to view a beautiful set of teeth, a sure sign that he was not pleased. A hearty sneeze seemed to restore him to good temper, and bearing no malice, he returned a friendly pat bestowed on him by Capt. Martenot who had been the aggressor, by rubbing his head carefully against his knees.—*Kenny's Algeria and Tunis.*

THE PEOPLE'S FRIEND.

PERRY DAVIS' VEGETABLE PAIN KILLER.

The Greatest Family Medicine of the age
Taken internally, it cures sudden colds, coughs, etc., weak stomach, general debility, nursery sore mouth, canker, liver complaint, dyspepsia or indigestion, cramp and pain in the stomach, bowel complaint, painter's colic, Asiatic cholera, diarrhoea and dysentery. APPLIED EXTERNALLY, cures felons, boils and old sores, severe burns and scalds, cuts, bruises and sprains, swollen joints, ringworm and tetter, broken breasts, frosted feet and chilblains, toothache, pain in the face, neuralgia and rheumatism. IT IS A SURE REMEDY FOR AGUE AND CHILLS AND FEVER.

It is the best Remedy for Purifying the Blood, strengthening the Nerves, restoring the Lost Appetite, FRESHENING THE HAIR, and cures all the skin diseases, such as eczema, psoriasis, etc. It is the best preservative against almost any sickness, used timely. Composed of herbs only, it can be given safely to infants. Full directions in English, French, Spanish, and German, with every package. TRY IT! For sale at all the wholesale and retail drug stores and groceries.

EMIL FRESS, Wholesale Druggist, Sole Agent, 1410 Clay St., San Francisco, Cal.

Imperishable Fragrance.—As among the opera stars of the great composers there are some whose public fame is instinctively preferred, so among perfumes there are grades of excellence from which the world chooses the rarest and the best. In the United States, the West Indies, Canada, South and Central America, etc., this choice has long since been made. *Murray & Luimon's Florida Water* has no rival among the perfumes of the Western Hemisphere. The once celebrated European toilet waters are scarcely saleable in any market where this refreshing, beautiful, delicious and almost imperishable perfume is procurable. It sides its unrivalled merits as a floral fragrant, it is, when intermixed with water, a fine preservative deodorant.

For sale by all Druggists.

HOLLOWAY'S OINTMENT AND PILLS.—The worst descriptions of ulcers, the most revolting sores, and the intensest general inflammations yield before this cooling Ointment, when its effect is augmented by the internal administration of Holloway's Pills. In bad "leg" this Ointment has only to be applied for a few days before the painful influence is seen over these inflamed ulcers, which no previous treatment could ease, much less cure. Under its application the pains decrease, the almost bursting skin relaxes, and healthy granulations spring up to displace the old matter which was horrifying to behold. Holloway's Ointment purifies the blood in the neighborhood of the sores, from which firm and good flesh can alone be formed; it quickens the absorption of effete substance and re-establishes soundness.

New Advertisements.

DELUGE—ATTENTION!
THE ENGINE IS OUT OF SERVICE, until further notice, for repairs. In the event of a fire, members will turn out with the hose cart.

By order Acting Chief Engineer T. J. Barnes, EDWARD R. THOMAS, Foreman Dugue Engine Co., No. 1.

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THE ITALIAN OPERA

FOR One Night More!

COMPLIMENTARY BENEFIT TO MISS SOLIDAD.

On Saturday Evening, Sept. 21,

On which occasion will be presented the Operas of

Lucrezia Borgia! and

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Will appear in a

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Musical Conductor, - - Signor Bellini.

The Box Office will be open daily from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m., for seating seats.

Price of Admission—Dress Circle, \$1 50.

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Reserved Seats 50 cents extra.

Doors open at half-past 7; performance to commence at 8 o'clock.

NOTICE.

AFTER THE 15th DAY OF OCTOBER the Victoria Gas Company, limited, will allow a discount of five per cent. on the price of Gas to consumers who pay for one to two thousand feet of Gas weekly; and ten per cent. for two thousand feet or upwards.

C. W. R. THOMSON, Secretary.

Victoria, Sept. 18, 1867.

FIFTEEN DOLLARS REWARD.

LOST—YESTERDAY, SEPT. 17, IN going from the corner of Broad and Broughton sts to St. James's Church, along Wharf St. to the I. B. Co. Wharf, or in going from the wharf up Port St. to Broad St. a BOTTLE of BILLS on the bank of British Columbia, consisting of eight \$5 bills and one \$10 bill. The finder will receive the above reward upon leaving the roll at this office.

C. W. R. THOMSON, Secretary.

Victoria, Sept. 18, 1867.

FOR SALE.

A FINE FULL-TONED ENGLISH

Upright Piano, for sale low. Address

"B. C." at this office.

SE16 4f

STRAYED OR STOLEN.

STRAVED OR STOLEN FROM the Cucklands Estate, on the 1st September last, a black bay horse, with white forehead and legs, and a small white star on his forehead. Any person turning the animal to this office will receive \$5 reward.

SE14 2f

FOR SALE—CHEAP.

A HALF INTEREST IN THE

"GOLDEN RETREAT."

Apply to

J. B. BEECHOFF, On the premises.

NOTICE—BARK PALMETTO.

NEITHER THE CAPTAIN NOR the undersigned, Agent of the above vessel will be responsible for any debts contracted by the crew.

F. H. LAMB, Agent W. U. Telegraph Co.

Victoria, Sept. 16, 1867.

Information Wanted.

AS TO RATE OR WHEREABOUTS OF

HANSEN (or George) HANSEN, a Norwegian by birth, who is supposed to be connected with some of the Coal Mines on this coast. Any information left at this office will be thankfully received.

SE16 1m

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WANTED IMMEDIATELY, TWO

Respectable Women as Ironers. Liberal wages will be paid.

Apply at the Eureka Laundry, near the Bush Tavern, Equilm Road.

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AT THE ST. GEORGE HOTEL, AN

Experienced Waiter; also, a middle aged Woman, to do Chamber Work. Apply immediately to E. C. HOLDEN.

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Wanted,

A GIRL TO ASSIST IN A SMALL

Family. Apply to "A. B." at the office of this paper.

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New Advertisements

To Visitors from California, Oregon, the Sound, &c.

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VICTORIA HOUSE,

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VICTORIA, V.I.

Will always be found a Large and Choice Assortment of

Dress Goods, Mantles, Millinery, Flowers, Laces, &c

At very Moderate Prices, and of the Latest Styles, the Goods being imported from Europe by Express Monthly.

The usual Assortment of Staple Goods, such as:

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Also on Hand in Great Variety.

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Let those now smoke Who never smoked before, And those who smoke Still smoke the more; The young, the old, the grave, the sensible, All pronounce it indispensable.

Non Plus Ultra. Henry Clay Chica. Espanola. Rocky Bar. La Real, Britanica Carolina Britanica Figaro. Carolina Reina. Pumariega. Aurora. Rio Sella. Ontario. C. C. P. Espanola Pressed. Cornjo Regalia Fina Real Reina Fina. Cornjo Reina Fina Cigarettas Modelo. Manillas

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Meerschaum, Briar, Single and Double Tube and Iron

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M.P.

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would be immediately available to

meet any unforeseen calamity—the

well-known character of its Directors,

and the standing which it takes among

the large Insurance establishments of

the British Empire, enable it to rank

with the most eligible offices now in

existence either in America or Europe.

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The undersigned, Agents, will receive

proposals and effect Insurances

on all classes of Fire risks at moderate

rates of premium.

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The advantages offered by the Com-

pany in this branch include the follow-

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The guarantee of an ample Capital.

Moderate premiums.

Large participation of profits by the

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July 1, 1867.

SE12 p

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